

Course title: Complex Course and Seminar: *World Englishes*

Course code: MCEN0814

Type of course: compulsory

Level of course: MA

Year of study: 1st

Semester: 1st

Number of ECTS credits allocated: 7

Name of the lecturer: Rodica Albu

Course objective: By the end of the semester the students will have enhanced their awareness of language variation and varieties, of terminological, sociolinguistic, sociocultural, political, ethnological and teaching problems related to the present-day status of English as the language of globalization, but also to the wide range of regional varieties that it displays..

Course contents: System-language-norm (Coseriu); review of the descriptive and prescriptive directions in the study of language as a system. Language as a social phenomenon. Geographic, social-educational and functional-stylistic varieties. British English vs. American English and their spheres of influence. English as a non-native language - which English? Sociolinguistic methods of research and their applicability. English in the European Union. Global resources in English and "Internet English".

Recommended reading: Albu, Rodica, *Using English(es)*, Iași: Demiurg, 2005; Crowley, Tony, *Proper English? Readings in Language, History and Cultural Identity*, London: Routledge, 1999; Gnutzmann, Claus (ed.), *Teaching and Learning English as a Global Language. Native and Non-Native Perspectives*, Stauffenburg Verlag, 1999; Kortmann, Bernd, *Dialectology meets Typology. Dialect Grammar from a cross-linguistic perspective*, Berlin, New York: Mouton de Gruyter, 2004; *Varieties of English*, 4 volume, Mouton de Gruyter, Berlin & New York, 2008; Internet sources, other audio and video teaching materials

Teaching methods: academic lectures, brainstorming, students' presentations, individual and group work; interactive orientation of lectures and seminars

Assessment methods: active participation in class, research project, final written examination

Language of instruction: English